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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.56 AND 37 CFR §1.97**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97-1.98, and in accordance with the duty of candor set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant wishes to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. Copies of the references cited below are enclosed along with a copy of completed PTO Form-SB08.

The submission of any documents herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a prima facie prior art reference against the claims of the present application.

I. TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) prior to the mailing date of either a final action or a notice of allowance. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(d), a statement or fee is required. The fee set forth in §1.17(p) is enclosed.

II. DOCUMENTS

1. APT Brochure, LIFFE Exchange, circa 1990*
2. Trading Screen, INTEX of Bermuda, circa 1984*
3. Weber, Information Technology in the Major International Financial Markets, April 7, 1993
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5. Trading Screen, MEFF Exchange, circa 1990*
6. Cavaletti, Order Routing Article, Futures Magazine, February 1997
7. Aurora Article, CBOT, circa 1989*
8. One Click Trading Options, Trading Technologies, circa 1998
9. Trading Screen, SWX Exchange, circa 1990*
10. Expanding futures and options trading around the world, around the clock, GLOBEX, circa 1989*
11. Hansell, The computer that ate Chicago, Institutional Investor, February 1989
12. Globex Report: An update on the CME Global electronic exchange, February 10, 1989
13. NYMEX Access Documents, New York Mercantile Exchange, February 28, 1992
14. CATS Traders' Manual, Toronto Stock Exchange, September 30, 1977
15. Market Watch, Trading Screen, date not available
16. Grummer, Peake, Sellers, Preliminary Feasibility Study, Bermudex Ltd., November 1980
17. Peake, Mendellson, The ABCs of trading on a national market system, Appendix C of Preliminary Feasibility Study, Bermudex Ltd., September 1997
18. Peake, The last 15 meters, Appendix E of Preliminary Feasibility Study, Bermudex Ltd., June 15, 1997
19. Declaration of Brendan Bradley in Case No. 04 C 5312, November 18, 2004
20. Memorandum Opinion Published February 9, 2005, of Judge James B. Moran in Case No. 04 C 5312

III. DISCUSSION

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure provided by 35 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-98, the Applicants wish to make the foregoing references of record in the above-identified application. These references were raised in connection with ongoing litigation involving U.S. Patents Nos. 6,766,304 and 6,772,132, which are commonly owned by Trading Technologies International Inc., in a lawsuit bearing the caption Trading Technologies

International Inc. v. eSpeed Inc., Docket No. 04 C 5312, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Despite Applicant's belief that some or all of these references are cumulative of what may have already been cited, out of an abundance of caution Applicant is submitting these references.

No representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the references, and this statement is not a representation that the cited references even constitute "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. sections 102 or 103 nor as an admission that the information is considered to be material to patentability. It should be noted that the dates associated with those references marked with an asterisk ("*") are as provided by the Defendant eSpeed, Inc. in the above-referenced litigation. Applicants make no representation regarding the accuracy of these dates. Applicants submit that these documents, whether taken alone or in combination with others previously of record, fail to show or suggest the claimed subject matter.

Applicants request that the Examiner consider the entirety of the documents and make them of record in this application as required under MPEP § 609.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper, or if a petition for extension of time is required for timely acceptance of same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account No. 19-0741 for any such fees; and applicant hereby petitions for any needed extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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	C6	C. CAVALETTI, "Order Routing," FUTURES MAGAZINE, February 1997, pp. 68-70.	
	C7	"AURORA: The most technologically advanced trading system available today," Chicago Board of Trade, 1989, 11 pages.	
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	C10	"Expanding futures and options trading around the world, around the clock," GLOBEX, 1989, 48 pages.	
	C11	S. HANSELL, "The computer that ate Chicago," INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR, February 1989, 5 pages.	
	C12	"Sydney Futures Exchange Announces Plans to Join GLOBEX," GLOBEX REPORT: An Update on the CME global electronic exchange, Vol. II, No. 2, February 10, 1989, 4 pages.	
	C13	New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) Access Documents, February 28, 1992, 413 pages.	
	C14	The Computer Assisted Trading System (CATS) Traders' Manual, Toronto Stock Exchange, September 30, 1977, 142 pages.	

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